at the end of 1994-95 and 1995-96 with each of the subsidiary company of CIL is as under :-

(million tonnes)

Company	As on 31.03.95	As on 31.03.96
ECL	2.29	3.34
BCCL	4.33	4.86
CCL	4.64	4.28
NCL	1.48	1.59
WCL	3.08	1.39
SECL	8.70	9.13
MCL	5.14	3.46
NEC	1.14	0.90
Total	30.80	28.95

Use of Hindi in Banks

2210. SHRI JAGDAMBI PRASAD YADAV : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of branches of Nationalised banks where cent percent work is being done in Hindi and the percentage of Hindi usage in other branches, bank-wise; and

(b) the time by which the cent-percent work is likely to be done in Hindi in all branches of banks?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) and (b). The information is being collected and to the extent available will be laid on the Table of the House.

Assistance to Industries by IRBI

2211. SHRI SHIVRAJ SINGH :
SHRIMATI SHEELA GAUTAM :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state the details of the assistance provided by the Industrial Reconstruction Bank of India to sick industrial units during 1995-96 State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : The details of assistance sanctioned and disbursed by the Industrial Reconstruction Bank of India (IRBI) to sick industrial units during the year 1995-96, State-wise are as under :

(Rs. crore)

State	Sanctions	Disbursement
Andhra Pradesh	Nil	1.40
Haryana	2.67	Nil
Kerala	*Nil	0.10
Karnataka	1.02	0.70
Tamil Nadu	Nil	0.14
Uttar Pradesh	2.63	2.72

Coal Reserve in Maharashtra

2212. SHRI KACHARU BHAU RAUT :
SHRI NAMDEO DIWATHE :

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) the quantity of Coal reserves in the coal mines of Maharashtra at present;

(b) the details of new coal reserves explored in the State during the last three years; and

(c) the details of ongoing exploration works for new coal reserves and the expenditure incurred thereon so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH) : (a) As per information furnished by Geological Survey of India (GSI), the total geological coal reserves in the different coalfields of Maharashtra upto a depth of 600 metres have been assessed as 6636 million tonnes as on 1.1.1996.

(b) On the basis of regional exploration carried out, a total of 360 million tonnes of new coal reserves have been explored in the State of Maharashtra during the last three years.

(c) Presently, GSI has been carrying out exploration work in Masar-Pirti-Pavna area, Chandrapur district, Wardha Valley Coalfield and around Katol area of Katol Sub basin, Nagpur district. The total expenditure incurred on these on-going exploration activities has been estimated as Rs. 0.46 crores.

Toy Industry

2213. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether the toy industry has developed a good market both in the country and abroad;

(b) whether trained designers are not available to manufacture toys in the country; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN) : (a) Yes, Sir. Toy industry abroad and in the country has supposed to have got a good market of the order of Rs. 140,000 crores and Rs. 175 crores respectively. The industry anticipates an annual growth rate of 15 to 20%

(b) and (c). Trained personnel particularly toy designers are not easily available in the country. However, various tool rooms set up by SIDO in the country have competent trained designers to design and manufacture quality moulds. In addition to existing tool rooms, government is also setting up 6 new tool rooms which are in different stages of implementation. Additionally to give exposure to Indian manufacturers, Indian Trade Promotion Organisation (ITPO) organises

various exhibitions including that of toys. To help indigenous manufacturers in technology upgradation and modernisation and to assist them in marketing their products internationally, government gives grant in aid to recognised associations and export promotion councils to participate in international trade fairs and organises seminars. During 1995-96 Electronic and Computer Software Export Promotion Council (ECSEPC) was assisted to participate in toy fairs in Dubai by giving grant in aid of Rs. 5.75 lakhs.

Strike by Lawyers

2214. SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHOTRI : Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state ;

(a) whether any Committee has been constituted for preparing proper guidelines to check the increasing number of cases consequent upon the frequent strike of lawyers and closure of courts;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any report has been submitted to the Government by this Committee;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL AFFAIRS, LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT AND DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP) : (a) and (b). No, Sir.

(c) to (e). Does not arise.

Loading of Coal

2215. PROF. RITA VERMA : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the collieries of BCCL where loading of coal by pay loader has been opposed;

(b) the reasons for such opposition; and

(c) the extent of loss suffered in the matter of coal production due to above reason during 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1994-95?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH) : (a) and (b). According to the information received from Coal India Limited (CIL) there have been no instances of coal loading through pay loaders being obstructed by the employees of BCCL. However, outsiders/unauthorised persons did obstruct loading of coal through pay loaders on certain occasions. Such obstructions have been confined to road sale of coal and transportation of coal to washeries/ sidings. The name of collieries/dumps from where such instances had occurred are as under :-

1. Jealgora
3. Kusunda OCP
4. Rajapur/South Jharia OCP
5. Bera
6. Dobari
7. Kuya
8. Bastacolla
9. Nudkharkee

(c) The Coal Company has intimated that there has been some loss of production of account of the above obstructions in 1994-95, it is not possible to precisely quantify the loss on account of such obstructions.

[English]

Equity participation in Small Scale Sector

2216. SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Small Scale Sector is allowed 24% equity participation;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this equity limit is sufficient for Small Scale Industrial Sector to get funds and modern technology; and

(d) if not, the steps being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN) : (a) and (b). Presently other industrial undertakings constituted as companies can invest up to 24 per cent in the equity of a small scale unit. If equity investment goes beyond 24 per cent, the unit loses the SSI status.

(c) and (d). The equity participation limit of 24 per cent is derived from the definition of small scale industries which states that a small scale unit cannot be owned, controlled or be a subsidiary of other industrial undertaking. 24 per cent equity participation has been allowed precisely to attract equity type investments from large industries into the small scale sector. Investments in the small scale sector using this equity route have however, not been considerable.

Control of Cement

2217. SHRI SOUMYA RANJAN : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether some of the cement manufacturers are refusing to sell cement to Government departments;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government propose to reimpose control on cement and also fix its price;

(d) if so, by when; and